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TWO COLUMNS OF U. S. TROOPS READY TO ATTACK VILLA

FIVE COLUMNS OF CARRANZAS AID AMERICANS

Believed Outlaw Chieftain Cannot Escape From Rapidly-Closing Trap

REPORT OF HERRERA REVOLT IS SHATTERED

Denials Made on All Sides; Additional U. S. Infantry Ordered to Border

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless]

BULLETIN
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 24.—Gen. Pershing reports that two columns of American troops are now in the vicinity of Namiqipa. They are said to have established a temporary base at Valle, 55 miles south of Cuernavaca. Gen. Gaviro, commander of the Carranza forces at Juarez, has heard a report that the Americans are planning to attack Villa immediately. Dust storms are hindering the American aviators.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., March 24.—News from across the border indicates that the punitive expedition pursuing Gen. "Pancho" Villa is so close on his heels and is cooperating so well with the Mexicans that the outlaw chieftain cannot hope to escape.

Five columns of Carranzistas, co-operating with the two main U. S. columns, have closed the roads by which Villa might escape and the trap is rapidly coming together around him and his men in the Namiqipa country.

Despatches from Carranza sources, received at El Paso and Fort Bliss lend credit to the report that Villa is located at El Paso, near Namiqipa.

Civil Governor Enriquez of Chihuahua telegraphs the news that Villa cannot escape from the pursuers.

Enriquez also asserts that the reports that Gen. Luis Herrera, the military commander of Chihuahua, was in revolt against President Carranza are false, and were started by radicals in an effort to cause trouble with the United States.

HERRERA STORY DENIED

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—U. S. Consul Letcher today telegraphed from Chihuahua that there is no truth in the report of the Herrera revolt. The despatch is regarded as confirmation of the removal of the one most menacing feature in the Mexican expedition.

MORE TROOPS TO BORDER

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 24.—Under orders to hurry to the Mexican border, the third battalion of the 21st Infantry, Maj. James T. Dean commanding, left today for El Centro, where it will engage in patrol duty.

WOULD STOP ALL WHO ARE TRADING WITH VILLA

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—Senator James Hamilton introduced a resolution this afternoon calling upon the authorities to secure information as to the supplies and money being furnished Gen. Villa from foreign countries and the United States. The resolution proposes to brand Americans as "guilty of actual treason," who furnish any aid to Villa. The resolution went over and Senator Lewis will speak on it later.

HOUSE DEBATING DRASTIC MEASURE ON IMMIGRATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—The house this afternoon is considering the Burnett immigration bill. Representative Hayes of California explained the provisions restricting the immigration of Asiatic aliens. "We are willing that the student, the traveler, the scientist and the merchant shall come into the United States, but the Pacific coast does not want the influx of Asiatic labor as has come to Hawaii," he declared.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

	Yesterday	Today
Alaska Gold	20 1/2	20
American Smelter	101 1/2	100 1/2
American Sugar Rfg.	110 1/2	110 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	130 1/2	130 1/2
American Copper	86 1/2	86 1/2
Atchafalaya	103 1/2	103 1/2
Baldwin Loco.	104 1/2	105 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	88 1/2	88 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	49 1/2	49 1/2
Call. Petroleum	22 1/2	23 1/2
Canadian Pacific	168 1/2	167 1/2
C. & M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	95 1/2	94 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	46 1/2	46 1/2
Crucible Steel	88 1/2	89 1/2
Erie Common	37 1/2	37 1/2
General Electric	167 1/2	168
General Motors	122 1/2	122 1/2
Great Northern Pfd.	110 1/2	110 1/2
Inter. Harv. N. J.	110 1/2	110 1/2
Kennecott Copper	156 1/2	156 1/2
Lehigh R. & N.	78 1/2	78 1/2
New York Central	106 1/2	105 1/2
Pennsylvania	56 1/2	56 1/2
Ray Consol.	23 1/2	23 1/2
Southern Pacific	99 1/2	98 1/2
Studebaker	143 1/2	143 1/2
Tennessee Copper	53 1/2	54 1/2
Union Pacific	134 1/2	133 1/2
U. S. Steel	85 1/2	85 1/2
U. S. Steel Pfd.	116 1/2	116 1/2
Utah	81 1/2	81 1/2
Western Union	90 1/2	90 1/2
Westinghouse	66 1/2	66 1/2

*Bid. †Ex-dividend. ‡Unquoted.

ALLIES DECLINE TO QUIT ARMING MERCHANT SHIPS

More Victims of Submarine Warfare Are Reported to London Today

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless]
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—The Entente Allies, replying individually to Secretary Lansing's suggestion for the disarming of merchant vessels, have in effect declined to enter into any such agreement as proposed.

PARIS, France, March 24.—The situation at Verdun is unchanged today. West of the Meuse the line is calm, while on the east there is intermittent bombardment.

BERLIN, Germany, March 24.—Further successes were won by the Germans today on the west front. In the vicinity of Havucourt, near Verdun, two additional trenches were occupied.

On the east front vicious attacks were made by the Russians in the northern sector northwest and south of Dvinsk. All assaults were broken by the German fire, the Russians suffering heavy losses.

LONDON, Eng., March 24.—The Danish steamer Christiansund and the Danish bark Claudia have been sunk by submarines in the war-zone. The crews of both are safe. The British steamer Fulmar was sunk by a submarine, 18 of those aboard being rescued. Another victim of the submarine warfare is the Norwegian steamer Kolvig, which was sunk without warning, the crew taking to the boats and being picked up safely.

GERMAN OFFICIAL CABLEGRAMS

GERMAN HEADQUARTERS REPORT, March 23.—The German success on the west front, near the forest of Avocourt, was completed by occupation of French points D'Appui on the mountain ridge southwest of Hautcourt. About 450 prisoners were taken. Otherwise the general situation on the west front is unchanged. The Russians yesterday showed their main aggressive activity in the evening and night time. They advanced several times with strong forces against the German positions at the bridge head of Jacobstadt and on both sides of the railway from Mitau to Jacobstadt, and four times against the German lines north of Vidny. On the front northwest of Postavy the prisoners taken are 14 officers and 839 men. The Russians in this place undertook no more important attacks. Apparently it was on account of their overwhelming losses. They advanced several times with renewed force between Narocz and Viesniev lakes at great sacrifice of men and ammunition and in none of these places did they gain even the smallest advantage against the unshaken German defense.

READY FOR BATTLE

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless]
NEW YORK, N. Y., March 24.—Jesse Willard is in fine spirits, easy-going and good natured, a day before his fight with Frank Moran, while the Pittsburgh man is brimming over with fighting spirit and full of confidence.

Tax on Sugar Production Proposed to Raise Revenues

Hotel and Office Building Plan of McCandless Bros.

Architect at Work on Preliminary Plans for Large Structure

Plans for a big hotel and office building, to be erected by the McCandless brothers upon their property at Nuuanu and Pauahi streets, have progressed far enough so that the building is now a virtual certainty. James S. McCandless leaves soon on a trip to the coast, but when he returns the proposition will be taken up definitely. Already a Honolulu architect is at work upon preliminary plans. While nothing can be stated with certainty as to the size of the building, it is intimated that it may be of seven or eight stories ultimately.

The McCandless brothers own a large piece of business property on the northeast (mauka-Waikiki corner) of Nuuanu and Pauahi streets. It has a frontage of 200 feet on Nuuanu and 160 on Pauahi. It is planned to have the ground floor for business firms and offices and the hotel above. Their confidence in the future of Honolulu and belief in the growth of the city's population and the increase in tourist trade convince the McCandless boys that such a project is worth undertaking in the early future.

BUILD DESPITE SUSPENSION OF HILL SAILINGS

Moana Hotel Will Get Additional Wings Though G. N. Stops Until Fall

In spite of the suspension of sailings to Hawaii of the Hill liner Great Northern during the summer, the Territorial Hotel Company will go right ahead with plans announced Tuesday in the Star-Bulletin for building two new wings with 400 rooms with private baths at the Moana Hotel—improvements to cost, exclusive of furnishings, about \$150,000.

Although the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company has decided to take the Great Northern off the Hawaii run after April 4, it is proposed to reopen the service in December, continuing until April or longer, says a Federal radiogram received this morning by Fred L. Waldron, Ltd.

CLUBMAN ACCUSED OF MURDER MAKES PARTIAL CONFESSION OF POISONING

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless]
NEW YORK, N. Y., March 24.—District Attorney Swann announced today a partial confession by Arthur Waite, the dentist, clubman and tennis player, accused of the death of John Peck, multimillionaire of Grand Rapids. District Attorney Swann says Waite admitted today that he purchased poison for Peck, who wished to commit suicide and asked him to secure the drug.

Earlier in the day Waite had denied the charge lodged against him. He admitted he had put something in soup taken by Peck but said it was medicine, in accordance with instructions given by Dr. A. A. Moore, Peck's physician. Waite will be removed to Bellevue hospital as a prisoner.

LIEUTENANT IN NAVY COMMITS SUICIDE

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless]
SEATTLE, Wash., March 24.—Junior Grade Lieutenant Ormond C. Junger, U. S. N., committed suicide today by shooting himself in his quarters on the cruiser Saratoga, at the Puget Sound navy yard, Bremerton. No cause is known for the deed. The Saratoga returned recently from the Asiatic station.

During the hearing of a case in circuit court this afternoon, J. Wesley Thompson, nominated by the President for a Hawaii judgeship, occupied a seat on the bench with Judge T. B. Stuart.

Divorce suits were filed in circuit court today as follows: Young Hee against Malia; Young Hee, extreme cruelty; Hattie Aikau against Jack Aikau, non-support; Mary Almeida against Joseph Almeida, cruelty.

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Antarctic Explorer May Be Isolated In Frozen Wastes



[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless]
LONDON, Eng., March 24.—Although a Sydney despatch says Sir Ernest Shackleton has returned from his south polar exploration, a later despatch indicates that other members of the party may have returned but that the leader has not. It is reported at Sydney that the Shackleton polar vessel, the Aurora, broke from her moorings at the Ross Sea base of the party, leaving most of the party ashore. According to the advice, Shackleton and his companions, who were left behind, may be compelled to remain another year in the extreme south before it is possible to rescue them. This is the second great Antarctic expedition from which Sir Ernest Shackleton has safely returned. He started for the South Pole near the end of October, 1906, and reached a spot—the farthest south until then penetrated—about 112 miles from the Pole. When in 1909 the Japanese expedition, in the auxiliary schooner Kai-nan Maru, had started it was announced that it was going to make the return trip over the route taken by Shackleton to verify his records. Accounts of the successful voyage of the Norwegian explorer, Amundsen, who, in the Fram in December, 1911, discovered the South Pole, bearing the ill-fated Scott expedition to the point, mention the sighting of a peak that was supposed might be the same as that named "Cloudmaker" by

MUCH OPIUM IS SEIZED IN RAID BY DETECTIVES

Bringing to a close several days of patient watching, city detectives this afternoon raided a building on Maunakea street and captured three Chinese and a Hawaiian who will answer tomorrow morning to the charge of having opium in their possession. Ah Nee, one of the Chinese arrested, will also be charged with having chefoo tickets in possession. It is supposed that he was just returning from a chefoo bank somewhere in the city when the detectives nabbed him.

The other two Chinese are Lau Chun and Ah On, and the Hawaiian is H. P. Peahi. The case will be one of the strongest that has come up for some time. Acting Chief John Kellett declares, as opium, yen shee, opium pipes and other evidence were collected. John Bright, who was captured by the force several days ago, will be booked this afternoon on five separate charges of gross cheat.

ACHI OFFERED PLACE ON BOARD BY MAYOR?

Has Mayor Lane offered the vacant place on the board of supervisors to W. C. Achi? Will he get Mr. Achi's acceptance or refusal of the appointment tomorrow morning?

The mayor acknowledged this afternoon that an appointment was in the hands of "a businessman and attorney who would please the business interests and the people of the city by accepting it," but refused to say that that man was Achi. He declared that the appointment had been offered within the last 24 hours. Achi had a long conference with the mayor yesterday.

"Puritan and Churchman" will be the subject of an address which Rt. Rev. Henry Bond Restarick, bishop of Honolulu, will deliver in Davies Memorial Hall, Emma street, at 8 o'clock this evening. The lecture will be illustrated with lantern slides.

SENATE COMMITTEE CONSIDERS PLAN TO RESTORE OLD TARIFF AND LEVY CENT ON PRODUCERS

Hardwick Explains His Substitute Measure—Probability is Kitchin Bill Will Be Reported Without Change

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless]
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—Serious consideration was given in the senate finance committee today to a proposal not only to repeal the present free-sugar clause of the tariff law but to increase the present tariff by half a cent a pound. Simultaneously it was proposed to levy a production tax of a cent a pound on all sugar produced in the United States to raise emergency revenue.

A production tax on sugar would be a blow to Hawaii's industry. Sugar men hold that such a tax would be added to their present cost of production, cutting profits materially.

The Star-Bulletin's Washington correspondent sent a cablegram previous to the receipt of the Associated Press message, and this cablegram forecast that the senate finance committee would not change the Kitchin bill, which is the measure now under consideration.

Correspondent Albert cabled as follows: "WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—The senate finance committee today heard Senator Hardwick of Georgia explain his substitute for the free-sugar repeal bill, the substitute being to make an excise tax on sugar, payable by the refiners, instead of retaining the customs duties.

"Action was deferred until tomorrow, giving opportunity for others to appear if they desire a hearing.

"Report of the bill without change is certain."

It is possible that the proposal of the production tax arose after this cablegram was sent. The committee met yesterday and today to discuss the Kitchin bill and various plans in connection with it for securing much-needed national revenue from the sugar industry. The Hardwick excise tax plan and the consumption tax plan were under consideration yesterday briefly.

Production Tax Would Hurt Hawaii Industry, Consumption Tax Wouldn't

"What is a consumption tax?" "How will it affect Hawaii's sugar industry?" The Star-Bulletin has been asked this by numerous Honoluluans since the publication yesterday of a Washington despatch that some senators favor placing a consumption tax of a half cent a pound on refined sugar. The consumption tax, as the name implies, is a tax payable or supposed to be payable directly by the "ultimate consumer." It is not a tax against an industry but against the consumers of the industry's product. In the case of the proposed sugar tax several ways might be devised of collecting this tax, but the despatch yesterday indicated that, if imposed, the tax will probably be taken at the refineries. This is in line with the government's plan of "collecting as near the source as possible," a plan followed in the collection of the federal income tax from employers on the basis of the pay-rolls showing the income of employees. U. S. Revenue Office interested.

The consumption tax, if imposed, would probably be collected by the United States Internal Revenue Department. Collector Haley of the Hawaii district, in response to a query this morning, said that in all probability the internal revenue offices of the country would be given the duty of securing the revenues. "The consumption tax is figured to reach the consumer—the man who buys sugar for his own use," said Collector Haley. "It would, however, be exceedingly difficult to collect the tax through the retailer who sells to the consumer, because of the countless number of stores, large and small, which would handle sugar.

"While we know nothing officially of this proposed tax it would seem that the tax would be collected at the refineries or through the wholesalers. Very likely internal revenue stamps would be issued, as is the case for the present internal revenue-taxed commodities." Wine Tax Cited As Example. The present emergency war tax on wine is virtually a consumption tax. Originally it was proposed in Congress to collect this tax from the manufacturer. While the proposal was being debated the manufacturers were sending out huge orders to their customers, so that Congress foresaw its inability to realize much revenue from imposing the tax on the manufacturer. Hence the bill was changed and the tax imposed on the seller. In Hawaii the internal revenue office deals with the retailers and must check up on the books of all saloons and other licensees.

Just how the consumption tax on sugar would be imposed is not predicted by the internal revenue officials. They say that Congress will decide upon one of two or three possible ways.

The two other new taxes proposed in Washington in connection with the sugar industry are the producers' tax

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